

MINUTES TO MEETING**MEETING DATE:** 04/05/21**ATTENDEES:** Rebecca Turner, Abigail Rogers-McKee, Douglas Cooper, Stephen Piersanti, Barbara Kalish**DISTRIBUTION:** Attendees, File**LOCATION:** Zoom Video Meeting

	Discussion	Action By/Date
1.	General	
a.	03/04/20 minutes - accepted	
2.	New Business	
a.	No new business	
3.	News Letter	
a.	Historical topic: Trolley line: Sources of info 1. Berkshire Scenic Railroad Museum 2. Maps in EHC archive	BK-4/21
4.	Community Preservation Act (CPA) RT will respond to FG 1. \$10k Potential options – French Park, identify and restore EHC historical architectural elements, Prospect Lake dock, GreenAgers project, Land Trust projects, Egremont River Walk, Egremont Library projects.	RT-4/21
5.	Scholar Lectures and Dinner: Not discussed potential fund raiser. Retain a local scholar or journalist to speak on a subject and participate in a “gala” dinner at someone’s home. Purpose – to promote unity, community and raise money. DC to sketch out a plan and lead future discussions.	
6.	Egremont 241st Birthday Party – Themes: 1. “I Love Egremont because _____” via a “Tribute Website or “My favorite think about Egremont is _____”. EHC will ask Egremonters to submit a brief video answering the question and wishing the town a Happy Birthday 2. Create an Egremont Birthday quilt with school children 3. Create a Birthday wishing tree 4. Display at Post Office or Library 5. Reading by James Warwick 6. Egremont Song by Doug Mishkin	August 2021
a.	Future ideas – Cemetery tours, Contradance party,	
7.	Website maintenance – SP will follow-up with Carolyn Alexander	SP- 5/21
8.	Equipment - Seagate external hard drive for back-up and a multi-function color laser printer paid by town - purchased	
9.	Rte 23 Lighting	
a.	BoS accepted EHC recommendations on placement and pole height, rejected carriage lantern luminaire style. RT to respond to BoS cc MDOT/CA emphasizing our position. Completed	
b.	EHC rejects the chosen luminaire for the following reasons: 1. Out of scale 2. Inconsistent with the colonial period of our town 3. Subsequent to meeting: BoS rejected carriage lantern because Jacobs said that the lighting distribution would not work for the planned use. King Lighting photometric data is same for both the Carriage Lantern style and the BoS selected luminaire. No photometrics provided by Jacobs or MDOT. 4. BoS to clarify fixture selection since spec and drawing are in conflict	
10.	Massachusetts Cultural Resources Information System (MACRIS)	
a.	NL/MM will complete the contracted scope for the MACRIS report. In on a timely basis. MM to forward milestone schedule Mon 2/7/21. EHC intends to split the last payment into 2 milestones. 100% Document final submission 6/5/21	NL/MM Sched 2/7/21 100% 6/5/21
b.	On Schedule for completion according to MM	6/5/21
c.	MACRIS, once complete, will be promoted and made available electronically/hard copy once completed	6/5/21
d.	MM will download link to final building forms on 4/1/21	MM 4/1

11.	Town Hall Sign	
a.	Project now includes upgrade of the Town Hall campus site. Committee has been formed, led by LV. Includes SP, LV, Alexis Wreden, Patrick Riordan. Planning is based on previously approved landscaping improvements and will be funded from the Buildings and Grounds budget. EHC recommends that we focus on removal of the sign. SP will follow-up with PR	SP 5/5
12.	Membership	
a.	EHC to reach out for new members	On-Going
b.	Possible new member. RT to explore	RT 5/5
13.	Historical Commission mission statement/acquisition policy/training	Ongoing
14.	On Hold pending completion of other initiatives	
15.	Archive collection/organization/layout	
a.	ARM to contact T. Reynolds and schedule dumpster	ARM 5/21
b.	Kurt Sunderland has contributed more letters to the archive	
16.	Demolition delay by-law	
a.	EHC is developing the 1 st draft to be shared with the PB for review and comment. DD circulated a first pass among EHC members for review and comment.	2/11/21 4pm
b.	EHC/PB Demo Delay Bylaw: will be developed as a collaborative effort. PB will focus on this once the Marijuana Bylaw has been completed;	On-Going
17.	Future Outreach Initiatives	
a.	Develop a local outreach program to inform the community of our mission/activities/etc.	Ongoing
b.	Invite Library Committee and look for ways to collaborate. RT to contact LC chair	Ongoing
18.	COVID-19 historical record for archives – not discussed	
a.	Attendees agreed that the EH should reach out to residents to collect stories and personal accounts of the COVID-19 epidemic and how it effected Egremont. RT will circulate a draft post for outreach to the community via social media. Out-reach should include Egremont residents, teachers and others involved with the town.	RT Ongoing
19.	Oral History Project 1. Oral History –Stanley Gracyk is writing a series on his experiences working in the General Store. He will share and possible read his essays for the OHP. 2. Will Conklin re. History of April Hill 3. BK to develop list of interviewees 4. BK to contact Lynn Wood and Richard Burdsall and record their many stories	Ongoing EHC BK - 5/21
20.	Next Meeting	
a.	Meeting day to change to the 1 st Wed of each month at 5pm	
b.	Next Meeting: Wed 5/5/21 @ 5pm	
21.	End of minutes	
a.	Submitted: 4/9//21 by Barbara Kalish	